## **CONNECTICUT FACTS**

M. Jodi Rell Governor:

**Lieutenant Governor:** Kevin M. Sullivan

> U.S. Senators: Christopher Dodd (senior)

> > Joseph I. Lieberman (junior)

**U.S. Representatives:** John Larson (1st district)

Rob Simmons (2nd district) Rosa DeLauro (3rd district) Christopher Shays (4th district) Nancy L. Johnson (5th district)

Hartford, the sole Capital City since 1875 Capital:

**Statehood:** February 6, 1788 (5th state)

**Official Designation:** "The Constitution State"

Adopted by Act of the Legislature, 1959.

Name Origin: Quinnehtukqut -- Mohican for "Beside the Long Tidal River"

**State Motto:** Qui Transtulit Sustinet --

"He Who Transplanted Still Sustains"

Population (2000): 3,405,565

> 5,018 square miles Area: 169 (Including Cities) Towns:

**Counties:** 

**Famous For:** Writers: Mark Twain, Harriet Beecher Stowe

> Inventors: Charles Goodyear, Elias Howe, Eli Whitney, Eli Terry Inventions: Watch-making, Typewriters, Insurance, Submarines

Birthplace of President George W. Bush (in New Haven)

State Emblems:

The State Flower the Mountain Laurel (Kalmia Latifolia)

The State Bird the Robin (*Turdus Migratorius*) The State Tree the White Oak (Quercus Alba)

the Sperm Whale (*Physeter Macrocephalus*) The State Animal

The State Insect the Praying Mantis (Mantis Religiosa) The State Fish the American Shad (Alosa Sapidissima)

The State Mineral the Garnet (*Alamandine Garnet*, Fe<sub>3</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub>O<sub>12</sub>)

"Yankee Doodle" The State Song The State Ship **USS** Nautilus

The State Hero Nathan Hale **The State Heroine** Prudence Crandall The State Composer Charles Edward Ives



The State Flag



The Robin

The Charter Oak



State Seal

The Praying Mantis



USS Nautilus



Sperm Whale





